## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR



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## **Media Advisory**

Date: September 17, 2004

Re: Statement from Mayor Bob Young

On September 15, 2004, I directed a flag be removed from the display at Riverwalk. The flag has been replaced with an Augusta city flag.

The request to remove the flag came from the Augusta Branch of the NAACP in a telephone call with its president, Charles Smith. Acting Administrator Fred Russell participated in that phone call.

The decision was made in consultation with representatives of the Augusta Commission, the Augusta business community and the Augusta hospitality industry, all of whom support the action that was taken.